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OF

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12 Marc Mukasey

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) My name is (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). I'm a senior special agent with the U.S. Department of Justice Office of the Inspector General. Today's date is February 28 and the time is approximately 9:37 in the morning. Today we are here conducting an interview of Rudy Giuliani. Sir, if you could spell your last name for me.

MR. GIULIANI: G-I-U-L-I-A-N-I.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) And also here with Mr. Giuliani is his counsel, Marc Mukasey. Sir, spell your last name for me, M-U-K-A-S-E-Y.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) And also with me today are special agent, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). If you could spell your last name.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Great. So today sir, as we mentioned this is a voluntary interview and you are, we're not even sure if you are a witness in our case to be quite honest with you. So you're not the target of any investigation. You are here voluntarily to answer questions, or I guess we're here for you to answer questions for us.

MR. GIULIANI: Good, happy to do it.

1 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) We are located at the Trump
2 International Hotel at 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue
3 in Washington, DC. So, during the course of
4 this interview, obviously we expect you to be
5 truthful with us and I'd just like to caution
6 folks. As we mentioned, this is an
7 administrative investigation and please no
8 offense with all due respect, if during the
9 course of the investigation you would like to
10 not answer a certain question, please don't
11 answer the question. We don't want to find
12 ourselves---
13 MR. GIULIANI: Okay.
14 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) ---in a path where you're
15 misleading us or anything like that.
16 MR. GIULIANI: Right.
17 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Not that, that would
18 happen, but I just like to caution folks kind
19 of as a courtesy because sometimes as we get
20 going in these investigations, that happens.
21 So, we'll turn it over to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) right now and
22 we'll get into it.
23 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): So Mayor we just wanted to
24 start off, we're going to show you a video
25 while you were on Fox News on October 26, 2016.

1 MR. GIULIANI: Okay.

2 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: You were speaking with Fox

3 News, Martha MacCallum. So, I'm going to get

4 to the point where we want to ask and then

5 we'll watch it and then I'll ask you the few

6 questions.

7 MR. GIULIANI: Okay.

8 (Off the record conversation)

9 MR. GIULIANI: It's fun to see this.

10 (Off the record conversation)

11 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: Okay, so that's the first

12 one. So two days later, Comey went on, the

13 former director went and basically announced

14 that they were re-opening the FBI investigation

15 into the Clinton emails, because of what was

16 found on Anthony Weiner's computer.

17 MR. GIULIANI: Right.

18 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: So if you could just go

19 into detail what you meant about ---

20 MR. GIULIANI: (Indiscernible* 3:47)

21 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: --- the surprise in the next

22 few days.

23 MR. GIULIANI: Sure, I had no knowledge of

24 any kind, even gossip that information that Jim

25 Comey was going to re-open the investigation.

I was, if I'm correct he did it on a Saturday. I think I was in Nevada when it happened. I was meeting up with then candidate Donald Trump and I was with people I was campaigning with separately as I had indicated to Martha Mac Callum and then we met for a rally in Nevada and then I went off. During that period of time, Comey released the information that he'd reopened the investigation. Total shock to me, total shock to the candidate. The candidate, Donald Trump praised Comey for doing it and I actually advised him he shouldn't because Comey I said is going to change his mind again.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: What was the surprise you were talking about?

MR. GIULIANI: The surprise I was talking about was something I was working on which was my idea when I was working with Jared Kushner and Bannon and I just to refresh my recollection when he had an email, of speeches that he was going to give and the question was, would we buy 20 minutes of air time so he could give a direct-to-camera speech to the American people, which Ronald Reagan I believe did in 80 and having worked for Ronald Reagan and admired

him, I always like to copy whatever he did, and I wanted him to do, I wanted the President to do that, the then later President to do that. And, I was actually working on drafts, which I have here, going back and forth with the campaign and we were trying to do a 20-minute version of this speech, a five-minute version and a two-minute version. That was the surprise. Whenever I refer to surprise, I'm talking about media surprise and I think the best indicator by the fact that I said "we" have a surprise. If I was talking about somebody else doing it, I'd never say "we" have a surprise.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: Because in the course of a political campaign, correct me if I'm wrong, purchasing something five minutes or twenty minutes is a much bigger event than purchasing a 30-second commercial.

MR. GIULIANI: Yeah. Generally you purchase in 30-second sound bites, those quite little commercials. If you really want to convey a message, you'll go two minutes. You'll get a two-minute – that's the typical commercial; five minutes is considered big and

20 minutes is considered huge. And the question was number one, did we have the money for it, which everybody felt we did, but number two, would the public – is this 1980 and would the public sit still for 20 minutes or walk out – his supporters. I can't remember the exact end result, because now I got really busy campaigning in the swing states, but all three options were open. The 20-minute option didn't happen. I don't believe the 10-minute one did, so we ended up with two and five-minute segments just for the swing states. But at the time I said that, I was almost certain that we had convinced everyone – we had even set up a time to shoot the 20-minute speech.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: Do you recall what the focus was of that---

MR. GIULIANI: Yeah, I have it written, I still have a draft of it. I re-read the beginning of it. It was basically explaining to the American people why we need an outsider. The whole idea of draining the swamp, not put in quite that language was the theory of the speech, how things had gotten off course under President Obama, Hillary Clinton would just be

a continuation of that, how she handled the ethical issues, criminal issues, and that somebody had to come in and "drain the swamp," change things, change the direction in Washington and that he was the perfect candidate for that, he being Donald Trump because he was independent of the lobbyist, independent of the – he didn't have to raise money from the same old crowd. That was the basic theory of it and then some policy and depending upon which version, the 20, the 5 or the 2, it would go into more policy detail or less.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): But the surprise that you were talking about to Mac Callum had nothing to do with Comey?

MR. GIULIANI: It didn't. I didn't know about it.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Indiscernible* 8:15).

MR. GIULIANI: I never knew anything about, I would speculate about it. Actually I speculated more about WikiLeaks than I did about that because I had, somebody had told me about WikiLeaks that when they put out their information and they say they're going to

follow it, they take their credibility seriously

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Uh-huh.

MR. GIULIANI: And they are going to continue to follow it, so when the first WikiLeaks came out, I came to the conclusion, they must have much more, and this is just the tip of the iceberg, which turned out to be true, and they just (Indiscernible* 8:50) and put it out.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Okay. And did those advertisements or speeches ever move forward?

MR. GIULIANI: Yeah, the advertisements did, but since I wasn't in that realm I don't know in fact how they materialized themselves. We did put on more advertising in the swing states of this nature, but I tend to think it was more the two and five-minute ones and we did that in at least Wisconsin, Michigan, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Florida.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.

MR. GIULIANI: Like you wouldn't see those in Washington, DC, you wouldn't see those in maybe Virginia, you wouldn't see those in New

1 York.

2 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): New York City, yeah.

3 MR. GIULIANI: You wouldn't see them in

4 California.

5 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.

6 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Chicago.

7 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.

8 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): And we don't have this on

9 record so can you just, do you have an

10 unofficial title of the administration or it is

11 --

12 MR. GIULIANI: Yeah I do. I have an

13 unofficial title in the campaign.

14 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Currently is there –

15 MR. GIULIANI: Currently I have an

16 unofficial title as, advisor on cybersecurity

17 and my job according to the order put out by

18 the president is to work with private sector to

19 bring those solutions to the attention of the

20 president, Jared Kushner, and people who are

21 working on cybersecurity in the government. It

22 has nothing to do with government programs,

23 which are handled inside the government.

24 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): And then during the

25 campaign did you have a –

1 MR. GIULIANI: Yeah, I don't know if I had
2 a title, I guess I was president's best friend
3 and companion and senior advisor to the
4 campaign.
5 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): But a total volunteer
6 (Indiscernible* 10:26).
7 MR. GIULIANI: Totally volunteering, never
8 paid.
9 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) I understand.
10 MR. GIULIANI: And I did everything. I
11 mean I traveled with him, I wrote speeches, I
12 drafted some speeches with Steven Miller. I
13 wrote position papers and then I went out
14 campaigning on my own because you know, I've
15 run for office myself, ran for president, so I
16 had my own sort of network.
17 MR. MUKASEY: Just for the record, you
18 took a leave of absence from our law firm.
19 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.
20 MR. MUKASEY: So that he wasn't being
21 compensated by the law firm while working for
22 the campaign. That's just for the "need to
23 know."
24 MR. GIULIANI: Yeah I was either with the
25 law firm, or anybody else during that, I don't

1 think, except for my investments during that
2 period of time.
3 MR. MUKASEY: What's the next one?
4 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: Yeah so if we move on, so
5 the next one, Comey came out with that
6 announcement October 28, 2016, that day you
7 went on the Lars Larson radio show. We'll
8 listen to the audio and then we'll ask those
9 few questions at that point.
10 MR. GIULIANI: Yeah.
11 (Off record conversation)
12 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: Okay so we'll stop it
13 there.
14 MR. GIULIANI: (Indiscernible* 12:26),
15 right.
16 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: Yeah so it caught the
17 attention of the OIG.
18 MR. GIULIANI: Sure.
19 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: "I know that from former
20 agents, I know that from even a few active
21 agents who obviously don't want to identify
22 themselves." So if you can just -
23 MR. GIULIANI: Sure.
24 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: -- clarify what you meant
25 by that.

1 MR. GIULIANI: So what I meant by hat was
2 agents that are still working. Not working in
3 the FBI. I had no contact with them, but
4 agents who are still available for work, since
5 that's part of my business, security. I sort
6 of keep current with the retired FBI agents. I
7 have very little to do with the active FBI
8 agents because we can't employ them, so the
9 only time I really have contact with them is
10 something like this when they have some kind of
11 an investigation or background check. So what
12 I was referring to was the difference between
13 active or current meaning agents that are
14 available and agents that are fully retired who
15 really don't take on that kind of work anymore.
16 MR. MUKASEY: In his security world,
17 people like Louie Freeh are still active.
18 People like and I'm not saying anybody spoke to
19 Louie, but that generation, they're either
20 retired and not active, or they're available
21 out in the world to do private work.
22 MR. GIULIANI: They're either what I call
23 semi-retired or fully retired. Semi-retired I
24 would consider current active, but not
25 necessarily on duty. Fully retired I would

consider just old friends that I talk to. They may be even younger, but they just want to do something else. I know FBI agents running companies.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) So outside (Indiscernible* 14:04) in the community.

MR. GIULIANI: Yeah I (Indiscernible* 14:07) running companies.

MR. MUKASEY: He meant active in the game.

MR. GIULIANI: Yeah.

MR. MUKASEY: Active at writ large, not active (Indiscernible* 14:10).

MR. GIULIANI: Were active in security.

MR. MUKASEY: Right.

MR. GIULIANI: If you went off and ran a health company, I would not say you're active to anyone.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): So it sounds like Louie Freeh, are there any other names you can provide.

MR. GIULIANI: Sure I can tell you – I'm sure you'll ask me the ones I can remember talking to.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Yeah.

MR. GIULIANI: And that would be Jim Kallstrom who is easy to get or see because he's on TV all the time and Jim was active in the campaign also.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Right.

MR. GIULIANI: You'll see Jim on television a lot, criticizing Jim's original report.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Jim Comey's.

MR. GIULIANI: Jim Comey's original, yeah.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): (Indiscernible* 14:45)

MR. GIULIANI: Jim Kallstrom criticizing Jim Comey's original report for being contradictory, laying out criminal conduct and then coming to the conclusion she shouldn't be prosecuted even though that is his job to decide that.

MR. MUKASEY: He's the former assistant director of the FBI in the New York office.

MR. GIULIANI: Former FBI director in New York. He probably was the most incensed of the people I knew. The others it was more, he was probably the most incensed, probably had the least contact with active agents because he's been out of the bureau the longest, but he was

probably, and it does reflect what the old guys felt. The other agent I can remember talking to was a former agent, was (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). I don't know if (Indiscernible* 15:44).

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) last name?

MR. GIULIANI: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and I discussed this more as a, I don't want to say concept, more as a concern that this was creating a lot of turmoil within the bureau now. I never thought, well wouldn't have cared, it wouldn't affect me if that information came from inside the bureau or was kind of once removed, but I assumed that it was once removed because his contacts were also former agents, former police. It's almost impossible to separate as to whose gossiping, but the information – plus there was one other that I can remember, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) I can only remember one conversation and –

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Do you know how to spell (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)?

MR. GIULIANI: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) got it.

MR. GIULIANI: So he just agreed with me that although some of the agents were going a little batty, the former agents were going a little batty, Jim really, Comey, really mislead them by taking them down a road of prosecution and then quickly putting on the brakes and deciding she shouldn't be prosecuted. He sat there and watched that thing on television, which I did and I said, "Oh my God, he's going to indict her." She destroyed emails, she broke up hard drives, and then all of a sudden he decides not to. So those are the three I can put a name to.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Okay, Kallstrom, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C).

MR. GIULIANI: They're probably two or three, there are two or three others who I probably knew their names then, but who I discussed it with that would all be like at a campaign event or at (Indiscernible* 17:57).

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Right. But it was basically gossip.

MR. GIULIANI: Sometimes they weren't even FBI agents, sometimes they were cops or other federal agents who would say, "Man, Comey

really screwed this up." After he made a second revelation, I didn't have the time to talk to anybody about it. I talked to Jim probably a few times about it.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) : Kallstrom?

MR. GIULIANI: But other than that - I'm really talking about not so much what you're asking me about, but from the time that Comey, right around the time that Comey made his remarks and the attorney general recused herself and then put herself back in. I'm talking that period of time. That period of time that was the heaviest conversation that went on about what was going on inside the bureau. What you're talking about, when Comey re-opened, honestly I was too busy to worry about that. We were down to the last 10 days of the campaign and then when he closed it, the only thing I remember, I didn't even talk to anybody, I just went on television and said, "Geez, I think Jim lost his mind because how could he close - he had 600,000 emails to go through, that's ridiculous." He should have re-opened it. I actually thought he made every decision wrong. I thought he made the decision

1 wrong to not prosecute and having made that
2 decision, I thought he made the decision to
3 hold the press conference. I thought it was
4 outrageous. Even though Hillary was the
5 opponent, I never heard a law enforcement, FBI
6 director laying out the criminal evidence
7 against somebody who's not being indicted.
8 Then I thought he made the decision to reopen,
9 that was ridiculous, that was right before the
10 campaign. I thought it might even hurt us,
11 meaning Trump. And then when he closed it, I
12 do remember saying I don't think it's going to
13 hurt at all because he's like blown his
14 credibility because he was –
15 MR. MUKASEY: And this is --
16 MR. GIULIANI: -- in fact it may even help
17 us because it will just remind people how crazy
18 this all is.
19 MR. MUKASEY: And understand, this is his
20 best recollection because in the last 10 days
21 of the campaign it is a frenzy mania.
22 MR. GIULIANI: Yeah, absolutely right.
23 MR. MUKASEY: We gossiped about Comey all
24 the time, right?
25 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Sure.

1 MR. MUKASEY: Comey worked –

2 MR. GIULIANI: We would gossip, we would

3 gossip.

4 MR. MUKASEY: Comey worked for him and I

5 –

6 MR. GIULIANI: Comey worked for me,

7 Kallstrom worked for me.

8 MR. MUKASEY: We would talk about this

9 all the time.

10 MR. GIULIANI: All these guys, Louie

11 worked for me. All these guys worked for me.

12 MR. MUKASEY: And everybody talked about

13 it, so it was a big –

14 MR. GIULIANI: And we all second-guessed.

15 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Of course, right.

16 MR. GIULIANI: We all spend our lives

17 second-guessing what's going on now?

18 MR. MUKASEY: Right.

19 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Did you have an official

20 role in the campaign or –

21 MR. MUKASEY: Not one bit.

22 MR. GIULIANI: My friend.

23 MR. MUKASEY: Yeah.

24 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Okay, we're going on and

25 watch this last video. This is November 2,

2016 on Fox News with Megyn Kelly and then well just probably ask you this one.

MR. GIULIANI: Okay. Can I just ask --

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted] Yeah.

MR. GIULIANI: If this was after Comey reopened the –

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: Yeah, so –

MR. GIULIANI: Is this after he reopened and before he closed it again?

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: Correct, so on October 28, Comey sent the letter to congress reopening the Clinton probe after new emails were found on Weiner's, on the Weiner case.

MR. GIULIANI: Also –

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: Eleven days before the election.

MR. GIULIANI: Total complete shock that it involved Weiner. I mean total complete shock. I said to myself, "Man this guy is a gift that just keeps giving." What a jerk.

MR. MUKASEY: This just –

MR. GIULIANI: And I've known Weiner since he worked for Senator Schumer. Senator Schumer likes to forget that.

(Off the record conversation)

1 [redacted]: So what caught our
2 attention there was –
3 MR. GIULIANI: Outraged FBI agents.
4 [redacted]: Exactly, "that talked to
5 me."
6 MR. GIULIANI: I was referring to retired
7 ones. I can't recall talking to a current FBI
8 agent about anything.
9 [redacted] That's pretty specific
10 though, I guess where the previous one was not.
11 This one you talk about grand jury subpoenas.
12 MR. GIULIANI: Right.
13 [redacted] Not getting through and
14 things like that which –
15 MR. GIULIANI: That's the kind of rumors I
16 would hear, but I can't attribute that to a
17 current, I can't attribute that to an on-duty
18 FBI agent at that time. That's information was
19 part of the gossip mill. Some of it may have
20 been, somebody may have even speculated on a
21 newspaper. There were a couple of articles
22 about turmoil in Europe. And there was an
23 article – the information on the New York
24 office for example I know I got from the
25 newspapers. That was not, it was never. I

1 always thought of the information coming from
2 the Washington office because they were
3 conducting the investigation, but then there
4 was a thing about how - this again is
5 completely newspaper, so don't confuse it with
6 anything said to me by on-duty, current, active
7 agents of any kind. There was the speculation
8 in the New York office and I remember exactly
9 the word "with the revolution" and that pushed
10 Comey to reopen.
11 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.
12 MR. GIULIANI: And they were the ones that
13 discovered the Weiner stuff. I have no idea if
14 that is true or not, but that was the
15 information I got.
16 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) So you're saying it was
17 open source.
18 MR. GIULIANI: Open source
19 MR. MUKASEY: Public need to know.
20 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Public information.
21 MR. GIULIANI: Yeah, I'm pretty sure
22 that's right. Not all of it, but most of it.
23 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.
24 MR. GIULIANI: And the other thing that's
25 amazing is that if there was this Weiner thing

1 going on, which was really surprising, it never
2 leaked before. In other words, it was the
3 first time it came out.
4 MR. MUKASEY: Can I just point out one
5 thing that is maybe a little bit out of bounds,
6 but in the heat of a political campaign and I
7 think everything the Mayor is saying is
8 accurate and obviously (Indiscernible* 24:12).
9 In the heat of a political campaign, on
10 television, I'm not saying Rudy necessarily,
11 but everybody embellishes everything.
12 MR. GIULIANI: Oh you could throw a fake.
13 MR. MUKASEY: You're under no obligation
14 to tell the truth.
15 MR. GIULIANI: You could throw a fake.
16 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Fake news right?
17 MR. MUKASEY: Right.
18 MR. GIULIANI: But also (Indiscernible*
19 124:28) a little.
20 MR. MUKASEY: So you might say outraged
21 when you are just trying to work it up a
22 little.
23 MR. GIULIANI: This is more factual, but
24 the formal one you showed me where I said we
25 got a big surprise, that's a kind of teaser.

1 MR. MUKASEY: Yeah.

2 MR. GIULIANI: You know, they do the same

3 to us.

4 MR. MUKASEY: Kallstrom was on Fox too

5 saying he spoke with current and active

6 (Indiscernible* 24:44). So a very similar

7 pattern, yeah.

8 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: Yeah.

9 MR. MUKASEY: And Kallstrom gets all

10 worked up on TV and he's, you know –

11 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted] Uh-huh.

12 MR. MUKASEY: -- sometimes –

13 MR. GIULIANI: But I can't help you with a

14 current agent or an on-duty agent that I know

15 of through my own – I have none that know of in

16 my direct knowledge and I never heard them make

17 reference to once, because I know that it could

18 be like three times removed – some active agent

19 could be complaining. And I wouldn't consider

20 complaining necessarily leaking.

21 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted] Right it has to be –

22 MR. GIULIANI: I would see a distinction

23 between, "we've got this piece of evidence" as

24 opposed to, which would be wrong, "we're going

25 to subpoena somebody," which is not as wrong,

1 but probably shouldn't happen as opposed to,
2 "boy we really screwed up this investigation,"
3 which I consider the first amendment protected
4 and (Indiscernible* 25:39).
5 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) That's an opinion and
6 that's –
7 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): It also an opinion right?
8 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) And so that's –
9 MR. GIULIANI: And most of what I got was
10 the latter. Some of it was in between. A lot
11 of stuff about interference with the
12 investigation, which I couldn't make head or
13 tail of. At one time I felt that the justice
14 department had a much smaller role in it, then
15 it came out the justice department was kind of
16 pushing from the outside. I still don't know
17 what's true.
18 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Can you tell us a little
19 bit more about the sum that was specific?
20 MR. GIULIANI: In the sense of?
21 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Related to – so you said
22 the gossip that you got was the majority of
23 what you –
24 MR. GIULIANI: Right.
25 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) What you were hearing.

1 MR. GIULIANI: Specific things that I got
2 was, and again this goes back more to July,
3 when Comey conducted the interview.
4 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.
5 MR. GIULIANI: That –
6 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): July 14, Comey went on
7 record, testified during the Homeland Security
8 Committee. He did not consider prosecuting
9 Hillary. Is that the time period?
10 MR. GIULIANI: I'm talking about before –
11 yeah, actually his press conference.
12 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Okay.
13 MR. GIULIANI: When he held his press
14 conference, laid out what I thought was an
15 overpowering case of at least obstruction of
16 justice and said what I considered silly things
17 about intent. There was no intent, but what
18 the heck is destruction of evidence? What is
19 false statements?
20 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Uh-huh.
21 MR. GIULIANI: Those are all, the
22 strongest evidence of intent. People don't
23 announce their intention. So, those are things
24 I was hearing. They were consistent with my
25 own reservations and sort of anger about it,

but I don't ever remember hearing any evidence except – I mean Jim had all the evidence. That's the first time I heard of it.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) That's in the public domain at that point.

MR. GIULIANI: The first time I heard about the destruction of the emails was then. The first time I heard about the hammer and all this stuff, I didn't know anything about that, holy God. I mean this is terrible.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): For the record when Comey made the public statement, former FBI director announcing they would not recommend criminal charges against Hillary Clinton, that was July 5, 2016.

MR. GIULIANI: Right.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Okay.

MR. GIULIANI: So that's the first – each one of Jim Comey's statements were a shock to me. I had no foreknowledge of any of them. The first one I thought was going to come later because he had just done the interview. I found it incomprehensible that three days later he could come to a conclusion about it. I assumed that he had already written it two

weeks before. It turns out that was true. I know Jim, Jim's a careful guy. He had come to this conclusion before the interview. I knew that was probably true, but I didn't know that as a fact. I knew that just as an obvious deduction from the fact that he interviewed the woman on Saturday, a complex interview and you come out on Tuesday with a conclusion. It doesn't make any sense. Something's wrong.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: So I don't have those two other videos.

MR. GIULIANI: I've watched them.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: But, on November 4, this is two days after that Megyn Kelly interview, you went on Fox and Friends with Wolff Blitzer. I just want to go into that a little bit. On Fox and Friends, you said I did nothing to get it out. I had no role in it. Did I hear about, "You're darn right I heard about, I can't repeat the language I heard from former FBI agents." So that was on Fox and Friends. Again, do you recall, what you meant by that?

MR. GIULIANI: Exactly the same thing. What I heard about was all throughout the summer they're consternation, anger,

embarrassment with the way the investigation was being handled, which continued through and after Comey's two last revelations, his opening and closing, but frankly most of it happened before in that summer period because by the time we get to even September, I'm too involved in debate preparation, debate negotiations, speech writing, analyzing data to pay attention to it. So most of my knowledge pre-dates October of 2016 and then when it happens, I'm as shocked as anyone else, and then speculate don't praise Comey too much because the guy's going to change his mind again when the democrats put enough pressure on him. I was very disappointed in him. Probably talked more about it than I normally would because I was so disappointed in the way he acted. It seemed to me totally inconsistent with whatever they had learned. You don't talk about an investigation, you don't go public condemning somebody that you're going to let off the hook, then you reopen it in the middle of a campaign, at the very end of a campaign. It's hard to understand what he was thinking.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: Yeah, okay. So that same

1 day you went on CNN with Wolff Blitzer. He
2 kind of discussed some of the things we're
3 talking about. He mentioned what was the
4 surprise you were referring to, but you also
5 said the last time you spoke to an FBI agent
6 was either eight to ten months ago.
7 MR. GIULIANI: Yeah, but I don't know if
8 that (Indiscernible* 31:06).
9 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) : So that would have meant
10 January or February of 2016.
11 MR. GIULIANI: Yeah.
12 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) : Do you recall what you
13 meant by that?
14 MR. GIULIANI: Yeah I mean I just picked a
15 number out of the air. It could have be a
16 year, two years. The last time I could
17 remember talking to an FBI agent before that
18 was when I got the aware for Agent of the Year,
19 or Special Agent of the Year, Honorary Special
20 Agent of the Year Award, which my wife liked
21 because it came with handcuffs. She wanted me
22 to get more handcuffs.
23 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) : Strike that from the
24 record.
25 MR. GIULIANI: Only to put on the wall.

So, I would have to amend that to say, I can't recall talking to an on-duty FBI agent for at least a year, maybe two.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: Let me just point out –

MR. GIULIANI: Except when they call me about background checks, but most of that happened afterwards. I mean I did a lot of those interview in early 2017.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted] Okay.

MR. GIULIANI: Because that's when everybody was going as the administration.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted] Okay.

MR. MUKASEY: And also sometimes in connection with our legal work, not campaign work.

MR. GIULIANI: Oh sure, I'll refer—

MR. MUKASEY: So if the connection is legal work—

MR. GIULIANI: We refer cases.

MR. MUKASEY: Or we represent people who are being interviewed –

MR. GIULIANI: (Indiscernible* 32:12)

MR. MUKASEY: -- in a proper session by active agents, but not in connection with anything political. In connection with

criminal investigations which is our job as lawyers.

MR. GIULIANI: Almost all my discussions before this came up would have been with Jim, Louie, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) I didn't even know at that point. I didn't get to know him until mid-16. And then a lot of discussions with the guys in the former FBI associated, unrelated to Trump or Hillary but just those were my paths.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Did you have any conversations with Comey during this period?

MR. GIULIANI: No, I hadn't seen Jim in long, long time. No, no conversation with Comey, no.

MR. MUKASEY: And some of the conversation with, I think it's fair to say a lot of the conversation with Kallstrom, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and Louie is random and haphazard. You'd see Kallstrom in a green room sometimes right?

MR. GIULIANI: Yeah.

MR. MUKASEY: You'd see (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) –

MR. GIULIANI: I'd call Jim occasionally and ask him his opinion on something.

MR. MUKASEY: Right.

MR. GIULIANI: Or vice versa, he'll call me.

MR. MUKASEY: Or we'll see (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) in a restaurant.

MR. GIULIANI: Or sometimes we'll talk about an investigation, or the same thing with – Louie and I talk a lot because of the MEK and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and I talk a fair amount because we have, (b) (6) [redacted] (b) (6) [redacted]

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Okay. So I have to ask this, but say you were watching all this, you're a regular person nonpartisan, apolitical watching all these media appearances, you're on national television, national radio, someone may say this person knows something. Is there any other way you think you can interpret what you said on TV.

MR. GIULIANI: No. I think it's clear that I knew something. I think the thing that is totally unclear, except to me to some extent, is how I knew. I mean I knew things, but one place it didn't come from was from anybody either on-duty in the FBI or connected with the investigation within the FBI. I couldn't tell

you for the life of me, except what I read in the newspapers and this guy McCabe was ultimately in charge of it. I don't even know McCabe, I don't think. I probably met him at one point, but I don't know him. I didn't know who was involved in the investigation. Most of the stuff I knew about the investigation – all the stuff I knew about the investigation was second-hand and speculation from my own knowledge of the FBI. Now a person listening would probably say, I don't know where he knows all this. I mean it must come from somewhere and not knowing how these things operate might think you have an inside source of some kind –

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: Which is what Elijah Cummings obviously thought.

MR. GIULIANI: Yeah, I can understand why they would think that.

MR. MUKASEY: Yeah.

MR. GIULIANI: Since you don't break down in intricate detail or with the most precise language exactly what these sources are. That wasn't on purpose. It was just for the purpose of communicating quickly. I wasn't trying to purposely create the (Indiscernible* 35:26). I

wouldn't want to do that to any FBI agent. I'm very aware - the reason I wouldn't talk to an on-duty FBI agent if I knew the person about an investigation because I'm aware of the fact that's a problem for him or her, not for me. I mean I'm a private citizen. If the FBI wants to come to me and say, even to represent, I'm a lawyer, he could talk to me easily. I mean he could talk under attorney-client privilege. "I'm concerned about the investigation, I'm concerned I'll be compromised." You could do that, but that's a problem for you not for me and I wouldn't want you to create that problem without knowing. In fact, this doesn't refer to the FBI but to other similar situations. We have sort of standard thing where we would tell somebody before you talk to us, retain us, and talk to us in the capacity of a lawyer, I wouldn't be able to repeat that unless the person was willing to let me do it. None of that. Did I think it might happen? I don't know, but it never did.

MR. MUKASEY: It was all hearsay based on second-hand sources, no direct knowledge.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]: Okay.

1 MR. MUKASEY: And supposition.

2 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Yeah.

3 MR. GIULIANI: There were rumors like -

4 there's a disgruntled guy that left, somebody

5 should talk to him. I've forgotten the guy's

6 name. I forgot his position, but it was

7 supposedly a guy who was involved in the

8 investigation.

9 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Where did you hear that

10 from?

11 MR. GIULIANI: That group, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C),

12 Kallstrom, not (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) maybe because

13 he was as contemporary as we got with -

14 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.

15 MR. GIULIANI: -- people in the bureau.

16 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). Kallstrom

17 had been out 15-20. So it would be unlikely

18 they would have any knowledge of who was even

19 involved in the investigation.

20 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay. And any idea where

21 that agent, the disgruntled agent left from?

22 Which office?

23 MR. MUKASEY: You don't even know that

24 there was a disgruntled agent, right?

25 MR. GIULIANI: No, no.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) But do you recall hearing that?

MR. GIULIANI: Yeah, yeah. Back the beginning of the year, the beginning of the year meaning 16 and that's about it.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.

MR. GIULIANI: I left the beginning of the year. I had a supervisory position, which that never went anywhere.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Do you think he was in New York, White Plains or?

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) DC.

MR. GIULIANI: I imagine he was in Washington because that's, isn't that, or Virginia, that's where the investigation was being conducted.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) That's your understanding?

MR. GIULIANI: Yeah. I may be wrong, but -

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) The investigation was out of DC?

MR. GIULIANI: I thought so.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay. And we say the investigation -

1 MR. GIULIANI: Don't correct it. If it's
2 wrong, it's wrong.
3 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) -- are we talking about -
4 MR. GIULIANI: We're talking about the
5 investigation of Hillary Clinton.
6 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.
7 MR. GIULIANI: All this, none of it has to
8 do with an investigation of anybody else but
9 Hillary Clinton's (Indiscernible* 38:17) of her
10 emails, her server, although I was always
11 wondering why there wasn't a parallel
12 investigation of bribery with the Russians,
13 with selling plutonium to the Russians which I
14 considered a slam dunk bribery case against her
15 and then the former president.
16 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) What about investigation
17 into the former Virginia governor, Terry
18 McAuliffe? Anything related to that?
19 MR. GIULIANI: Uh-uh, no. I just remember
20 - this was all in the newspaper. I remember
21 McCabe's wife ran for office, congress I think
22 and it was alleged that McAuliffe raised, oh
23 God, for her about $670,000 is the number that
24 sticks in my head and it seemed to me that was
25 another indication of Jim Comey being either

1 asleep at the switch or crazy letting McCabe be
2 involved in the investigation.
3 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.
4 MR. MUKASEY: We watched that on Hannity
5 yesterday, that's how you remember.
6 MR. GIULIANI: That's right, I would never
7 remember that if I hadn't watched it yesterday.
8 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay. So, that information
9 that you just cited and that you are aware of
10 came from the public domain?
11 MR. GIULIANI: That one definitely did not
12 come even from that little group I'm talking
13 about. That came from whatever the hell I read
14 in the papers, that came from being on the
15 Hannity show and Wolff Blitzer and all the
16 (Indiscernible* 39:45).
17 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.
18 MR. GIULIANI: You meet a lot of people in
19 those green rooms and they tell you things.
20 MR. MUKASEY: Yeah there's a lot of
21 gossip going on behind the TV cameras.
22 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Sure, I can imagine.
23 MR. GIULIANI: And you never know if they
24 aren't jacking it up a little bit, you know
25 MR. MUKASEY: Uh-huh.

1 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Right.

2 MR. GIULIANI: Claiming to have better

3 sources than they have.

4 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) So did you ever hear about,

5 so the former folks that you've been in contact

6 with. Did they ever give you indication that

7 they had insider sources or were getting

8 insider information?

9 MR. GIULIANI: No. And to me it didn't

10 matter. They weren't identifying anybody.

11 They were just talking about general things and

12 it could easily be that they did or they

13 didn't. The people they spoke to had insight,

14 the sources, or the people that they spoke too,

15 excuse the language, were bullshit.

16 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Sure. And publishing kind

17 of blowing it up a little bit.

18 MR. GIULIANI: Yeah, come on, yeah.

19 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay. Did you ever receive

20 any anonymous calls or kind of tips, kind of -

21 MR. GIULIANI: About this?

22 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Yeah. Kinda going back to

23 what you were talking about, if an agent

24 approached you, not necessarily to retain you,

25 but kind of for your input.

1 MR. GIULIANI: No, I went through that
2 thought process and even discussion with Marc.
3 MR. MUKASEY: Yeah.
4 MR. GIULIANI: Because I thought and this
5 again goes back to when Jim first came, Jim
6 Comey, first came forward with his statement.
7 I thought it might lead to somebody needing
8 legal representation.
9 MR. MUKASEY: Like a whistle blower in a
10 way.
11 MR. GIULIANI: And since we were well
12 known to the former FBI agents.
13 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Sure.
14 MR. GIULIANI: And if they did have a
15 contact inside, I felt we might get a call.
16 Never did, never had rumor of one. He and I
17 talked about it.
18 MR. MUKASEY: Uh-huh.
19 MR. GIULIANI: And we already had all the
20 papers we needed for doing that because we do
21 this regularly. You represented a DEA agent
22 right?
23 MR. MUKASEY: Yep.
24 MR. GIULIANI: A couple years earlier.
25 MR. MUKASEY: All the way through trial.

1 MR. GIULIANI: And –

2 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Was that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) ?

3 MR. MUKASEY: No, Dave Polos.

4 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Uh-huh. I remember that

5 one.

6 MR. GIULIANI: And we – so they come to us

7 a lot because they know we can be trusted and

8 we'll protect them because again if you were a

9 former - if you were a current FBI agent, you

10 came to me and you wanted to complain about an

11 investigation, or you were worried you'd put in

12 a compromising position. Stop and sign up.

13 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.

14 MR. GIULIANI: Or I'll review you to

15 Louie, I'll refer you to this one, I'll refer

16 you to that one, but you should be signed up as

17 a client. Give me one dollar right, sign up as

18 a client and now anything you say, nobody can

19 get it from me.

20 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) And to be clear, that did

21 not happen.

22 MR. GIULIANI: Did not happen.

23 MR. MUKASEY: Never happen.

24 MR. GIULIANI: Nor did it even get close

25 to happening, I just was ready in case it did.

1 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.

2 MR. MUKASEY: We didn't solicit.

3 MR. GIULIANI: But I never put out there -

4 MR. MUKASEY: Right, we didn't solicit.

5 MR. GIULIANI: I never put out there that

6 I was available, I just knew that they would

7 know because we'd done it way back.

8 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.

9 MR. GIULIANI: They would know that we're

10 available.

11 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): But as "being there" you

12 must get a ton of calls from people.

13 MR. GIULIANI: I do.

14 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Are there any people

15 calling unannounced and just whining to you.

16 MR. GIULIANI: No.

17 MR. MUKASEY: Yes, there are plenty and I

18 can - he probably doesn't even know.

19 MR. GIULIANI: Yeah.

20 MR. MUKASEY: But there are, every

21 disgruntled human being who's angry at

22 DeBlasio, Bloomberg, Jenkins, you know Hillary.

23 MR. GIULIANI: The president.

24 MR. MUKASEY: The president, Cuomo, calls

25 the office, because our numbers are public.

1 MR. GIULIANI: Yep.

2 MR. MUKASEY: They're on the website.

3 Everybody calls up and says -

4 MR. GIULIANI: I don't even find out about

5 this.

6 MR. MUKASEY: -- somebody's wrongfully

7 imprisoned, there's a dog barking outside my

8 house.

9 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Sure.

10 MR. MUKASEY: How come there's homeless

11 people on the street. Can you tell President

12 Trump that he needs to fix the environment,

13 whatever. This happens all day long. He

14 doesn't even know about it.

15 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) : Okay.

16 MR. GIULIANI: But I was not aware of any

17 of that.

18 MR. MUKASEY: But it did not happen as

19 far as I know with respect to the FBI agents.

20 MR. GIULIANI: As far as I know, nothing

21 came to my attention through calls to the

22 office regarding the FBI investigation of

23 Hillary or any of the FBI investigations, nor

24 did any agent ever call so that was not a

25 pipeline of information.

1 MR. MUKASEY: We get a lot of calls from
2 prison. I'm in here, can you help me?
3 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Right, but to be more
4 specific, not getting calls from, "I'm an
5 agent, I have information."
6 MR. MUKASEY: Not that I'm aware of.
7 MR. GIULIANI: No. Again, nothing I'm
8 aware of.
9 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Not that you're aware of.
10 MR. GIULIANI: Or not where the person
11 identified themselves that way.
12 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Well even ones where they
13 didn't identify themselves?
14 MR. MUKASEY: None.
15 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Kind of anonymous.
16 MR. GIULIANI: None of that every came to
17 my attention.
18 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Okay.
19 MR. GIULIANI: Or nobody ever put it
20 together that this person was an agent who
21 called.
22 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) Okay.
23 MR. MUKASEY: Some of it might die at the
24 secretary-administrative assistant level, not
25 that we've ever ---

1 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.

2 MR. GIULIANI: I expected one, but it

3 never happened.

4 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) It never happened, okay.

5 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): And then when you go on

6 these media appearances you're not getting paid

7 correct?

8 MR. GIULIANI: No I'm not. Some of the

9 people you see are paid by Fox, by CNN, but

10 then you'd only see them on Fox. Like I

11 wouldn't be off Wolff Blitzer if I was being

12 paid by Fox or vice versa.

13 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.

14 What else do you have (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) anything?

15 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): No.

16 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Anything that we didn't

17 cover that you think is relevant?

18 MR. GIULIANI: No I think we covered it

19 all. I mean the big take-away from it is

20 despite whatever confusion was created by the

21 circumstances or the language or the

22 interviews, no knowledge of then on-duty FBI

23 agents leaking any kind of information, much

24 less even gossip - plenty of vague information

25 about former agents and just not agents, law

enforcement people speculating

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Right.

MR. GIULIANI: And then a lot or deductions coming from my own knowledge of how investigations work or should work and a lot of anger that the bureau, like all this stuff about the bureau. It isn't the bureau, it's the people who are running the bureau that screwed up and I thought the bureau was paying a big price for lack of sensible leadership.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) : And no prior knowledge of the Comey announcement that he was reopening the --.

MR. GIULIANI: No that was for sure, and none of the three prior announcements did I know about in advance.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.

MR. GIULIANI: All three were – the first two were total shocks. The third one I expected. The third one I thought by this time, this is a guy who is much more amenable to pressure than I thought.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay. Any place you think we should look knowing what we're trying to get to the bottom of?

1 MR. GIULIANI: I mean you've probably
2 already talked to the people that I've
3 mentioned. If you haven't, you probably
4 should. And they might have a couple more. I
5 don't know. And then I would just say be
6 careful as to whether it is specific evidence
7 of quoting witnesses or just gossip.
8 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Gossip, right.
9 MR. GIULIANI: Because the last one just
10 happens in every organization.
11 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay.
12 MR. GIULIANI: Okay.
13 MR. MUKASEY: Thanks guys.
14 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Yeah no problem.
15 MR. GIULIANI: Thank you.
16 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C): Thank you.
17 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) It is -
18 MR. GIULIANI: It was helpful to me.
19 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) It's 10—
20 MR. GIULIANI: I'll keep, I'll try to do
21 the best I can to keep - my secretary has this,
22 I'll make sure she continues to. If you ever
23 need to see the speeches or - alright?
24 (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Okay, so 10:24, we'll go
25 ahead and stop the recording and end the

1 interview.
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